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## 1. INTRODUCTION

**Lemma 1.** hello world

**Theorem 2** (Theorem 5.18 pg. 298). Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(C)$  be a matrix in which each entry is positive and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$  such that  $|\lambda| = \rho(A)$ . Then  $\lambda = \rho(A)$  and  $\{u\}$  is a basis for  $E_\lambda$ , where  $u \in C^n$  is the column vector in which each coordinate equals 1.

*Proof.* First, note that because  $A$  has all positive values and  $u$  has all positive values, then  $Au$  has all positive values. Therefore, because  $\lambda u = Au$  has all positive values we can conclude  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\lambda = |\lambda| = \rho(A)$

Now let  $v$  be an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to  $\lambda$  with coordinates  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . Then let  $v_k = \max(|v_1|, |v_2|, \dots, |v_n|)$  and  $b = |v_k|$ .

Then

$$|\lambda|b = |\lambda||v_k| = |\lambda v_k|$$

But if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $Av = \lambda v$  and thus  $\forall 1 \leq i \leq n \lambda v_i = \sum_{j=1}^n A_{ij}v_j$ . Thus

$$|\lambda v_k| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^n A_{kj}v_j \right|$$

By the triangle inequality and then multiplication rules,

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^n A_{kj}v_j \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}v_j| = \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}||v_j|$$

Since we know  $b = |v_k| \geq v_i \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$  and similarly  $\rho(A) \geq \rho_i(A) \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$ , we know

$$\sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}||v_j| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}|b = b \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}| = b\rho_k(A) = \rho_k(A)b \leq \rho(A)b$$

But since we know  $|\lambda| = \rho(A)$ , we know the three inequalities above are actually equalities.

- (1)  $\left| \sum_{j=1}^n A_{kj}v_j \right| = \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}v_j|$
- (2)  $\sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}||v_j| = \sum_{j=1}^n |A_{kj}|b$
- (3)  $\rho_k(A)b = \rho(A)b$

But now we can use this to show that  $\{u\}$  is a basis for  $E_\lambda$

□

**Corollary 2.1** (Corollary 1 pg. 299). Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(C)$  be a matrix in which each entry is positive and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$  such that  $|\lambda| = \nu(A)$ . Then  $\lambda = \nu(A)$  and  $E_\lambda$  has dimension 1.

*Proof.* Consider  $A^T$ . We know by exercise 14 of 5.1 in [FIS03] that  $A$  and  $A^T$  have the same eigenvalues. Let  $E_\lambda, E_{\lambda'}$  be the eigenspaces of  $\lambda$  corresponding to  $A, A^T$  respectively. Additionally, if  $|\lambda| = \nu(A)$ , then the row corresponding to  $\nu(A)$  is now a column in  $A^T$  such that  $|\lambda| = \rho(A^T)$ . Thus  $A^T$  is a matrix in which each entry is positive with an eigenvalue  $\lambda = \rho(A^T)$ . Thus by Theorem 5.18 [FIS03], the basis of  $E_{\lambda'} = \{u\}$ , where  $u \in C^n$  is the column vector in which each coordinate contains 1 and  $\lambda = \rho(A^T)$ . Thus  $\dim(E_{\lambda'}) = 1$ .

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how do we know  
1 is an eigenvalue  
of A? we don't  
know that it's  
transition matrix

define nu, rho  
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But by exercise 13 of 5.2 of [FIS03], we know  $\dim(E_\lambda) = \dim(E_{\lambda'}) = 1$  and  $\nu(A) = \rho(A^T) = \lambda$ . Thus, we have shown  $\lambda = \nu(A)$  and  $\dim(E_\lambda) = 1$ . □

*Corollary 2.2* (Corollary 2 pg. 299). Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(C)$  be a transition matrix in which each entry is positive and let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue of  $A$  such that  $\lambda \neq 1$ . Then  $|\lambda| < 1$  and the eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue 1 has dimension 1.

*Proof.* We know by corollary 3 of Theorem 5.16 [FIS03] that if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of a transition matrix, then  $|\lambda| \leq 1$ . Thus if  $|\lambda| \neq 1$ , then  $|\lambda| < 1$ .

If  $A$  is a transition matrix, then by Theorem 5.17 [FIS03] we know that 1 is an eigenvalue.

We also know that if  $A$  is a transition matrix, then given  $u$  as a column vector in which each coordinate equals 1, then  $A^T u = u$ . But since  $u$  is the column vector equal to 1, each  $u_i$  in  $u$  is equal to the sum along the columns of  $A^T$ . But because  $u_i = 1 \forall i$ , then  $\nu_i(A) = 1 \forall i$  and thus  $\nu(A) = 1$ .

Thus we have an all-positive-entry matrix with  $1 = \lambda = \nu(A)$  and thus by Corollary 1 of Theorem 5.18, we know  $\dim(E_\lambda) = 1$ . □

## 2. THEOREM 5.19

## 3. THEOREM 5.20

## 4. EXPLANATION OF FILM

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